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Amendment

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6025

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"AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES UNDER SUPERVISION."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 20-34 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

5 (a) The practice of naturopathy means the science, art and practice
6 of healing by natural methods as recognized by the Council of
7 Naturopathic Medical Education and that comprises diagnosis,
8 prevention and treatment of disease and health optimization by
9 stimulation and support of the body's natural healing processes, as
10 approved by the State Board of Naturopathic Examiners, with the
11 consent of the Commissioner of Public Health, and shall include (1)

12 counseling; (2) the practice of the [mechanical and material] physical
13 sciences of healing as follows: [The mechanical sciences such as
14 mechanotherapy,] Corrective exercise therapy for rehabilitation,
15 articular manipulation, [corrective and orthopedic gymnastics,]
16 physiotherapy, hydrotherapy, electrotherapy and phototherapy; and
17 the [material] sciences such as nutrition, dietetics, phytotherapy,
18 treatment by natural substances and external applications; (3) ordering
19 diagnostic tests and other diagnostic procedures as such tests and
20 procedures relate to the practice of [mechanical and material] the
21 physical sciences of healing as described in subdivision (2) of this
22 subsection; (4) ordering medical devices and durable medical
23 equipment; and (5) removing ear wax, spirometry, tuberculosis testing
24 and venipuncture for blood testing.

25 [(b)] For purposes of [subsection (a) of this section] this subsection,
26 "natural substances" means substances that are not narcotic substances,
27 as defined in subdivision (30) of section 21a-240, do not require the
28 written or oral prescription of a licensed practitioner to be dispensed
29 and are only administered orally.

30 (b) The Department of Public Health, after consultation with the
31 State Board of Naturopathic Examiners, may report to the joint
32 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
33 matters relating to public health, in accordance with section 11-4a of
34 the general statutes, its recommendations for establishing and
35 implementing (1) educational and examination requirements or other
36 qualifications to permit naturopathic physicians to prescribe, dispense
37 and administer prescription medications consistent with their scope of
38 practice, and (2) a naturopathic formulary of prescription medicines
39 that naturopathic physicians who meet such educational and
40 examination requirements or other qualifications may use consistent
41 with their practice and training. Not later than forty-five days after
42 such report is submitted, the committee may, upon the call of a
43 chairperson, hold a special meeting for the purpose of approving or
44 disapproving such report, in whole, by majority vote. If the committee
45 does not disapprove such report, such report shall be deemed

46 approved. Upon approval of the report, the Commissioner of Public
47 Health may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
48 chapter 54, to implement the recommendations contained in such
49 report. The commissioner shall triennially revise, after consultation
50 with the State Board of Naturopathic Examiners, the regulations
51 adopted under this subsection, in accordance with the provisions of
52 chapter 54, for purposes of updating the naturopathic formulary of
53 prescription medicines implemented pursuant to such regulations."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2017	20-34
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